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re application of:

Horst KNOETIG

Application No. 10/621,466

Filed: July 18, 2003

DEVICE FOR NOTCHING THE For:

SPINE OF A BOOK BLOCK

FORMED WITH COMPRESSED

SIGNATURES

Art Unit: 3724

Examiner: Kenneth E. Peterson

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Customer No.

26694

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on June 20, 2005, the period for responding to which having been extended for three-months until December 20, 2005 by the concurrently filed Request for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of the Claims that begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.